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Editorial:

WHERE DO WE STAND?

IT HAS BEEN NEARLY twelve years now since "flying saucers" first crossed U. S. headlines. To estimate our position with reference to where we stood ten years ago, five years ago and where we stand today compared to our collective objectives is a task not to be envied.

There is little question but that much of the enthusiasm over UFO's has vanished in recent years. A lack of sightings and important developments plus our practical entry into the space age (thus reducing the aura of mystery surrounding UFO's) has undoubtedly accounted for this condition. Also, the unimaginable quantity of material—almost wholly devoid of a new approach or even new data—that has flooded the UFO field in recent years has done little more than to deluge a respectable subject with wholesale garbage.

Books in all probability have accounted for more new and renewed interest in this subject than anything else. Most researchers concur that the most epochal and controversial have been Flying Saucers Are Real (Keyhoe, 1950), Behind the Flying Saucers (Scully, 1950), Flying Saucers Have Landed (Leslie-Adamski, 1953), Flying Saucers from Outer Space (Keyhoe, 1953), The Report on Unidentified Flying Objects (Ruppelt, 1956) and Flying Saucers and the Straight-Line Mystery (Michel, 1958.) It is, this writer believes, significant to note that only two books of unusual importance have been published on UFO's in the past five years, and they both suffered from notoriously poor circulation (especially when compared to Keyhoe's first paperback book, which sold out 500,000 copies).

IF AESOP WAS CORRECT when he wrote, "United we stand, divided we fall," then surely we must have fallen. One wonders if Air Force policy has underlain the hope of "give them enough rope and they'll hang themselves." It might be recalled that the Air Force has never attacked nor openly questioned the validity of any fanatic or crackpot plaguing this research. And a greater degree of division among UFO followers cannot be conceived, as M. K. Jessup so adequately illustrates in his article elsewhere in this issue.

Where does the problem lie? This question can never be answered with any certainty. Most of us have pointed towards official censorship and ridicule. But other important issues have survived similar problems. Is it then the ridicule fostered by the fantastic claims of some contact claimants (such as tales of lovers on other worlds, space ships composed of dove feathers, etc.)? Any new science has been faced with as many and kindred crackpots, and has survived.

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PRESS APATHY HAS GONE a long way to give the public an extremely distorted picture of the UFO situation. The news media have been highly superficial, non-analytical, sensational, too gullible in accepting all official pronouncements at face value, and downright dogmatic. They have overplayed the ridiculous and controversial and usually ignored the serious statements from pilots, astronomers and equally qualified individuals.

But such press apathy is only a product of public apathy. When the newspaper reader is more interested in the latest ball score, Hollywood scandal or murder trial, newsmen can hardly be expected to be inspired by something as nebulous as possible visitors from outer space.

Then there is the insurmountable problem of UFO's being an all too infrequent observational phenomena. UFO's cannot be forecast, cannot be examined in a laboratory, cannot be tested, cannot be measured. This subject does not have the advantages of an experimental science, which is assured of eventually accumulating sufficient empirical data to prove or disprove its reality. Even ESP and psychokinesis can be experimental under laboratory conditions, and a gradual statistical accumulation of data may eventually prove the validity of these phenomena. But at least UFO's can be—and have been—photographed.

IN MANY RESPECTS, technological progress has indirectly done UFO's more harm than good. When a UFO is reported today, it is usually "explained" as an ultra-high altitude experimental balloon, a new configuration in aircraft design, a recently launched missile or satellite, refueling jets, or anything else that flies. Today's aircraft fly virtually as high, fast or slow as any UFO reported. The recently held World Congress of Flight demonstrated standard aircraft (not helicopters) that could nearly takeoff or land on the proverbial dime, fly so slow (about 10 mph) as to appear to hover (and without stalling), and others that could make exceedingly "tight" turns.

On the other hand, our technological progress makes it possible to more readily detect, observe and photograph UFO's. Pilots fly higher, new missile tracking cameras can photograph a golf ball at 70,000 feet, and the new BMEWS radar installations will be able to track objects at distances up to several thousand miles. But these areas of research are all in the hands of Governmental agencies, and it is therefore rather improbable that we shall hear of any sightings or findings made through these channels, at least within the foreseeable future.

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SEVERAL WEEKS AGO the Air Force announced that a prototype of the Joint Army-Air Force sponsored Canadian AVRO "saucer" would be test flown this coming summer. This elusive AVRO discoid aircraft has been rehashed by the AF for several years, especially when there is any prospect for an increase in UFO sightings (such as a close approach by Mars or some favorable attention to the subject in a national magazine).

The Air Force first publicized the AVRO aircraft in October 1954, when AF Secretary Donald Quarles directed some allusions to the Press that development was nearing completion and that millions of Americans would soon be deluded into thinking that they had seen invaders from outer space. This "red herring" may become an actuality within the near future, and its impact upon this research should not be underestimated.

If the aerial contraption ever works and finally reaches an operational state, then it shall be well nigh impossible for the average (or even qualified) person to correctly identify the AVRO craft from the original UFO from which it was imitated. Only the Air Force will have correct data as to the whereabouts of the vehicles, and only the AF will be equipped to detect UFO's in regions that will be uninhabited (in both location and altitude) by this aircraft.

SO THIS WRITER AT LEAST is willing to guess that the situation will greatly deteriorate before there is any noticeable improvement. The only UFO flap of any significance since 1952 was during the early days of November 1957, and that was discredited so rapidly by statements from the Air Force and Dr. Menzel that it has virtually faded from public recollection. Newspapers forgot the topic within a matter of days. The Press today is more reluctant than ever to publish UFO stories—feeling, with some justification, that UFO's are just "old hat" after twelve years.

There is no doubt in this writer's mind but that this period of transition will see many changes, for better or for worse. I will hazard a forecast that the majority of contemporary UFO organizations and publications will be non-existent with a year or two. And we may have seen the day where all the books on UFO's published in this country will be put out by small publishers and heavily subsidized by the authors.

TWO-IN-ONE ISSUE. This issue of SAUCERS, containing eight additional pages, combines the Spring and Summer issues. Our objectives in doing this are several-fold, the prime one being economic (we are attempting a period of austerity for purposes of survival). But the summer months is also a time of vacationing and little UFO activity, so we thought it might be a good issue to miss.

UFOLOGY: A PLEA AND A WARNING

By M. K. JESSUP

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UFOLOGY IS THE STUDY of flying saucers, or Unidentified Flying Objects. This term was first applied to the saucers by the U. S. Air Force and was then quickly abridged to UFO by the customary style of alphabetical soup originating in Washington, D. C.

To most of the students of Ufology the subject long remained only a listing of sightings with a minimum of analysis. Then it began to be contaminated by the antics of hoaxers and misguided zealots. Finally it has degenerated, in many instances, into a hodge-podge of subjective opinions, imaginary experiences and religious hallucinations which are not only unverifiable but often ludicrous.

The general public is totally unaware of the real scope of Ufology. Even the full-time devotees seldom sense that the study of flying saucers, if pursued to any logical level or conclusion, soon turns out to be a study of life. It parallels the study of mankind in past, present and future—in science, religion and philosophy. The subject of Ufology is as broad, as deep and as long (especially in terms of time) as the study of humanity itself. Also, it is just as little understood, either in substance, concept or application.

TO BOIL IT ALL DOWN; we know that there are Flying Saucers or UFO's—and that's about all we do know about them with any degree of certainty. To be sure, we know there are many types and that they come and go with bewildering gyrations and a variety of colors, but these defy classification, much less analysis. We also know that they have been here for thousands of years, which makes it difficult for the Russians or our own Air Force to claim parenthood for them. We know that they are prominent in Biblical history, as instanced by the wheel of Ezekiel.

We believe that they are intelligently controlled either by pilots, or that they are actually intelligent entities of a nature completely beyond our ken. But—we don't KNOW. We don't know where they originate. We don't know their purpose, or whether they have any purpose. But, whatever may be the deplorable state of our knowledge of UFO's, we certainly know something about the state of Ufology—and how!

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THIS EMBRYONIC SCIENCE is as full of cults, feuds and dogmas as a dog is of fleas. There are probably more opinions about the nature and purpose of UFO's as there are Ufologers. The sky visitors are believed to come from Russia, the U. S. Air Force, open space, the moon, Venus, Mars Jupiter, Saturn, Alpha Centauri, the outer Galaxy, distant galaxies millions of light years away, from the fourth dimension, from etheric space (whatever that may be), from the fifth dimension, from the second, third fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh or other spheres of intelligence and existence, from etheric planets, an invisible planet behind the moon, the spirit world, and perhaps even from a galactic Shangri-la!

The UFO's are believed to be operated by innate intelligences, Russians, U. S. Pilots, Martians, Venusians, Jovians, Saturnians, remote control, automatic control, galactic space patrols, solar system police, and so on.

They are believed to be powered by rockets, atomic jets, electro-magnetic drives, anti-gravity, levitation, thought control, fourth dimensional vibrations, photo ejection, atomic reactance, magnetic reactance, light pressure, gravity shields and (probably) imagination.

UFO's ARE BELIEVED to have the purpose of exploring the earth (the job should be nearly complete after at least ten thousand years), mapping the earth, studying humanity, cleaning the atmosphere of atomic radiation, transporting water and/or minerals to distant planets, kidnapping humans for specimens of study, studying our aviation and rockets, gathering to evacuate this planet at the onset of a new cosmic catastrophe, preparing for the second coming of Christ, aiding in our physical and mental evolution, also giving us religious guidance in matters relating to universal love and cosmic brotherhood.

The UFO's are also supposed to be space animals, discarnate entities, mother ships, scout ships, balls of intelligent fire, pure energy, super-heavy matter, stray vibrations, meteors, comets, temperature inversions, and thought forms of higher entities.

THEY ARE SAID TO BE representatives of God, the gods, an elder race, Christ, et alia. We are in communication with UFO's by infra-red light beams, electronically modulated and detected, by radio, flashlight, direct voice, cabalistic footprints, telepathy, spiritual mediumship, revelations of esoteric and occult masters, and by flickering electric lights.

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THEY ARE GUARDIANS, angels, Brothers, Elders, the Boys Upstairs, guides, gods, and representatives of an indeterminate number of super-circumbient spheres of intelligence.

They are vicious, kindly, vengeful, benevolent, destructive, protective, god-like, animal-like, humanoid, non-human, pygmies, giants, religious, pagan and what have you. They land, they don't land. They contact a few obscure characters. They don't contact anyone. They have been here thousands of years. They were not here before 1947.

IF YOU ARE SKEPTICAL about their existence and antics, you are likely to be called a lot of dirty names, the least of which is assinine or anti-social. If you accept the stories of contacts and rides in UFO's you are a crackpot (now termed PSYCHO-CERAMIC). If you are undecided you are a worm or a weak sister. Anyway you put it, you can't win.

The extremes of beliefs are, on the one hand, that they are man-made, and on the other that they are ships of pure, god-like beautiful men from Venus with all of the combined Divine characteristics of the Deity, the Masters and a host of angels. We are told in this view, that they will soon land for the purpose of saving us from ourselves, or at least they will transport the Biblical 144,000 chosen ones, the elect, to a safer and saner place of abode. Dedicated people dress in white and stand on street corners awaiting the arrival of the brothers!

And so it goes.

T H E P L E A

NOW—IF WE ARE NOT to destroy the field of Ufology and let it go down in a welter of ridicule, we have got to work together, work with facts and not rumors, do something drastic about deep-enders and hoaxers, and be as objective as possible. The whole field is on the verge of extinction right now because of irresponsible hoaxing and self-aggrandizement. That is a warning. Every day sees the demise of better and sounder clubs and magazines. The plea is: tolerance for the viewpoints of others until they are proven wrong, and refraining from positive statements until we are proven right. Otherwise—it is goodbye to Ufology in a very short time.

"The words of wise men are heard in quiet more than the cry of him that ruleth among fools."

—Ecclesiastes, 9:17.

UFO* NEWS

*Official U.S. Government designation for Unidentified Flying Objects

(Editor's Note—The bulk of the following UFO reports are courtesy of the Aerial Phenomena Research Group, 11323 14th Ave., N.E., Seattle 55, Washington.)

Somewhere in South Carolina, Feb. 7, 1958. Driving along U. S. Route 601 at 4:20 a.m., Emmet West watched a strange object descend and hover momentarily above his car. "I was driving along and noticed the hood of my car was reflecting a greenish-colored light," West later reported. "Looking up, I saw a large round object descending directly on the car. It...hovered for nearly a minute."

Then the object began to drift horizontally to the left. "I got a wonderful view of it," said West, an engineer at WCHS-TV in Charleston. "It was flat on bottom and had a curved top. There was a sort of luminescent band of greenish light surrounding it, but the center was white."

West stopped his car and started backing up to get a better view of the phenomenon. "As soon as I started backing up, it left," he related. "It moved horizontally and was out of sight over the horizon in a matter of seconds. I've never seen anything move so fast."

A ham radio operator himself, Emmet West decided to try to contact some local hams via his car radio to see if any of them had sighted the mysterious object. None could be reached. A check with the local Civil Air Patrol office revealed that they had no knowledge of the aerial intruder.

At the Air Force's request, West called ATIC in Dayton, Ohio. He was questioned at length about his sighting. At one point the observer asked his interrogator if his observation was unusual. "Not at all," the AF officer responded. He declined to answer further questions.

"I'd heard of UFO's for years," West later reflected. "Although I didn't deny their existence, I wanted to see one for myself. Now I'm firmly convinced there is something to all the stories you hear."

"What I saw that night had to be controlled, and common sense will tell you that whatever it was could not have been anything we know.

"I certainly don't believe it could have been anything put into the air by the United States or any other country," West explained. "If any country possessed such power and speed, it would not hesitate to use it as a propaganda weapon, or something more serious." (Charleston, W. Va., Mail, 3/2/59.)

Naperville, Illinois, Feb. 24. Two responsible persons who never met independently reported watching a 40-ft. object zoom down from the sky, hover at the intersection of Route 55 and Winfield Rd., and then disappear.

Dr. Richard Berry of Dearborn, Mich., saw the occurrence while driving west on Rt. 55, and reported the incident to Police Chief Alfred Ruckert at 9:40 p.m. Railway worker George Brodlest was driving to his home in Batavia at this time; called the Naperville Police Station shortly after Dr. Berry reported his sighting, telling the same story. Brodlest said the object came within 50 feet of the ground. (Naperville Sun, 2/26.)

Hobbs, New Mexico, Feb. 25. Jim Dobbs, Jr., 37, a representative for the Sargent Engineering Co. of Hobbs, reported sighting "an egg-shaped thing which glowed like the radium on a watch" while driving south on State Road 18 at 8:45 a.m.

"I was just coming off Phillips Hill," Dobbs recounted, "when I saw this object in the sky to my right—I'd say about 10 degrees above the horizon. It was traveling very fast."

At this same time Dobbs was turning his car radio to KHOB—a Conelrad station—when the program was interrupted by a steady succession of two dots and a dash. (In International Morse code, two dots and a dash stands for "U".)

Dobbs said the object traveled completely across the horizon in front of him and disappeared below the eastern horizon in approximately 35 seconds. The radio signal interrupted his car radio during the entire duration of the sighting.

Dobbs declined to estimate the size or altitude of the UFO, but he did not discount the possibility of it having been a weather balloon. But if it was a balloon, added the Hobbs witness, there must have been a wind stream of tremendous velocity. (Hobbs News and Sun, 2/26.)

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By SAMUEL J. CIURCA, JR.

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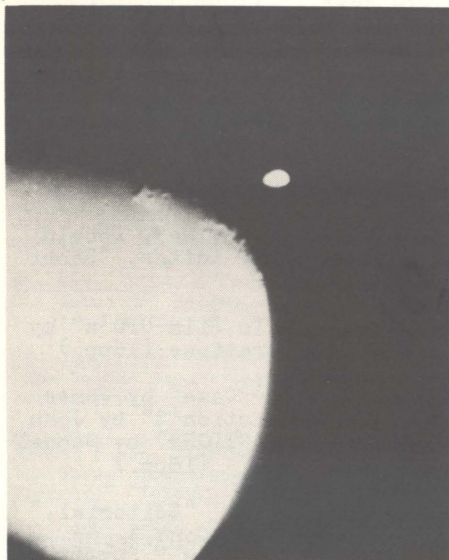
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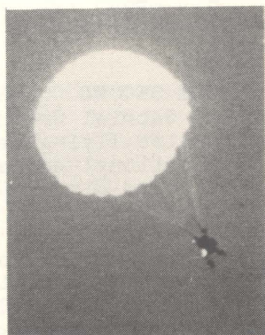
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TWO CONVENTION TO BE largely devoted to claims of contacts with persons from other worlds are planned for the near future for Southern California.

The first is George W. Van Tassel's perennial "Interplanetary Spacecraft Convention at Giant Rock Airport." To be held over the weekend of May 23-24, the affair will be located at Giant Rock Airport, 17 miles north of Yucca Valley. Van Tassel promises demonstrations by Hollywood stunt men, pictures, new "contact" stories and a "possible demonstration of an 'out of space' principle."

Program will begin at 10 a.m. each morning. Saturday, however, is usually the most active day, with many departing early Sunday. Motel arrangements—which are frequently impossible to obtain—must be made at Joshua Tree, Yucca Valley or Twentynine Palms. Campers are advised to bring adequate clothing, food, water, oil and gasoline. Concessions will serve coffee, sandwiches and cold drinks. (Prepare for cool nights and hot days—it hit about 100° last year.) Write to George Van Tassel, P. O. Box 458, Yucca Valley, Calif., for information.

THE SECOND CONVENTION will be on a rather elaborate scale. Gabriel Green has announced the intention of the Amalgamated Flying Saucer Clubs of America (AFSCA) to hold a national convention at the Statler Hilton Hotel, 930 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, July 11-12.

Green forecasts a total of "up to 54 different contactee speakers." For this quantity, AFSCA will use six "different large meeting halls with audience seating capacities of from 200 to 1100" to "eliminate the need to hear the same speakers you have heard before. Electrical outlets will be available for persons wishing to tape record the talks of their favorite speakers."

Gabriel Green notes that registration (which is \$3 and must be made in advance) will "be limited to 3,250 persons." Speakers have not been specified, but will probably include George Van Tassel, Orfeo Angelucci, Ray Stanford, Dana Howard, Dan Fry, Calvin Girvin, Howard Menger, Buck Nelson, George H. Williamson, and others. For additional information, write to AFSCA, 2004 North Hoover St., Los Angeles 27, Calif.

We might add that Flying Saucers International is not endorsing these gatherings. We are publishing this resume for those interested in this aspect of UFO research.

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(Editor's Note—Ordinarily Flying Saucers International does not publish material of this type. However, Mr. Matsumura is a widely respected researcher in Ufology and is known in Japanese aviation circles. He is a Representative for Interavia, the Swiss Review of World Aviation, and is the Photographic Editor for The Aviation Magazine in Japan. Mr. Matsumura states that his group employs three light-beam communicators, one of which works solely in the infra-red spectrum. The units were constructed by Ken Hashimoto, an instructor at a television engineering school in Tokyo and the former head of the Tokyo Laboratory of the Fuji Neon Company.)

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THIS STORY IS TRUE. We have had direct communication with space people twice since the summer of 1958 using our recently built "Saucer Communicators" (patterned after the "Master Unit Communicator" described on page eight of the March 1956 issue of SAUCERS). We have received both voice and strange Morse Code communications.

THE FIRST CONTACT. On June 7, 1958, the 50 members of the Cosmic Brotherhood Association (CBA) had joined the all-night UFO observation watch on the summit of Mt. Takao, 30 miles SW of Tokyo. After installing the communicator, Mr. Ken Hashimoto, a Director of CBA and builder of this machine, started speaking into the microphone: "Hello, CQ...this is CBA of Japan, Earth...Hello, spacemen. Can you hear me?" This continued for an hour every two hours starting at three p.m. A few minutes later, a mysterious voice was heard speaking through the 6-inch reflecting telescope. But it was too faint and unintelligible for us to understand. At about 6:12 p.m., some members yelled, "Look! What is it?" They claim to have spotted a mystery object in the sky three times. However, our officials could not acknowledge this. There was, unfortunately, a low overcast that night.

Then, in the early hours of the next day, between 4:30 and 5:30 a.m., we heard the spacemen finally answer and reward our hours of effort in the rain. "Hello, our Japanese friends." The words were spoken in broken Japanese and caused a sensation among the waiting fifty people. "It's very nice of you to contact us despite the rain," the voice continued. "Thank you very much."

Then I yelled into the microphone: "Hello, spacemen. This is CBA of Japan. Will you please pass over Mt. Takao low in the sky, because this place is very cloudy. This is a last chance attempt to contact you. Please, flying saucers."

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We attempted observation until 6:30 a.m., but we didn't see anything of significance. This incident was reported by The Japan Times and the Sunday Mainichi, a popular weekly magazine.

THE SECOND CONTACT. The Science Bureau of CBA improved this communicator and built a newer model. This was called CBA-II, and an all-night public test was made on August 17th, starting at 5 p.m. at Koku-bunji (a scene of historic events), on the outskirts of Tokyo. This time, about 30 members of CBA, including Mr. Hachiro Kubota, a translator and a director of CBA, joined the observation. A recording unit of radio station JOKR came and awaited any activity.

That night we observed many meteors, and about 11:45 p.m., two women members spotted a green fire-ball streaking across the lower eastern sky. Continuously we transmitted: "Hello, CQ...Hello, CQ...Our brother space friends, please answer us if you hear this announcement. This is CBA of Japan."



At about 3:30 a.m. the next morning, we received a strange Morse code that came off and on, as follows:
... ..
... — (R-U-A-E-X-I-L-Q).

Grabbing the microphone, I asked: "Please tell me what it was in Morse code?" After this, some strange signals were received. What did they mean? We couldn't answer them, unfortunately. However, this time we made tape recordings of the communication, which was successful. The tape was broadcast by JOKR Radio in Tokyo to all of Japan. Of course, it caused a sensation among the Japanese.

CONTACT ATTEMPT at Mt. Takao on June 7, 1958. Yusuke Matsumura is standing to the right of reflecting telescope.

of the portable communicator (cost about \$150.) One evening—Nov. 16th—about twenty persons made an unsuccessful
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THIRD CONTACT FIZZLED
OUT. Dr. Yoshiyuki Tange, M.D., of Yokohama, has built an improved version

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attempt to contact space people on a hill in Yokohoma. (Dr. Tange is of the Yokohoma Medical University—Editor.) But we were not disappointed, and were are now planning future attempts at space contact.

SHORT SHOTS & NEWS NOTES

THE FEB-MARCH ISSUE of The UFO Investigator quotes Rear Admiral George Dufek as stating, on March 11, that some exploding fireballs could be "saucers from Venus or other planets /sent/ by intelligent creatures. I think it is very stupid for human beings to believe no one else in the universe is as intelligent as we are." Admiral Dufek has headed the American Antarctic research and exploration program.

DR. CARL G. JUNG, the world famed psychologist who gained some notoriety last year for his misquoted statements on UFO's, has authored the recently published Flying Saucers: A Modern Myth of Things Seen in the Skies (Routledge and Kegan Paul, London—184 pp., 14s.). Although Dr. Jung stated his belief that much of the excitement over UFO's is a form of escapism that is usually induced during times of great crises, the famed scientist also explained: "So far as I know, it remains an established fact, supported by numerous observations, that UFO's have not only been seen visually but have also been picked up on the radar screen and have left traces on the photographic plate. I base myself here not only on the comprehensive reports by Ruppelt and Keyhoe, which leave no room for doubt in this regard, but also on the fact that the astrophysicist, Professor Menzel, has not succeeded despite all his efforts, in offering a satisfying scientific explanation of even one authentic UFO report..."

LAST JAN. 6TH, the London Evening Standard quoted an article entitled "Tenth Planet" by Soviet Professor Alexander Kazantsev, which appeared the previous day in Pravda. "Scientists," wrote Kazantsev, "will fly on one of the moon-ships which will soon follow in order to examine in the lunar laboratories the constructions erected by the inhabitants of other planets to discover the stars; to unriddle the secret of secrets—the reason for the emergence of stars." Dubious about the accuracy of this translation, the British Flying Saucer Review had an independent translation made of the Pravda article, which follows: "...These people will fly in one of the following lunar ships in order to see from a lunar laboratory, without the handicap of atmosphere, the constructions of the inhabitants of other planets, to discover other stars, to solve the secret of secrets

—the cause of the emergence of stars, of transformation of energy into matter..." The obvious interpretation, of course, is that Prof. Kazantsev is declaring his belief in the existence of other advanced forms of life within our solar system, for even an astronomical base on the moon could not resolve planets orbiting other stars. Such an observatory should finally determine the nature and origin of the Martian canali.

AND SPEAKING OF MARS, Soviet scientist I. Shklovskiy recently advanced the theory that the two small satellites of Mars (seven and 15 miles in diameter) were orbited by a now extinct race of Martians. However, Dr. E. C. Slipher of the Lowell Observatory has discounted this possibility. "It would be comparable," said Slipher, "to propelling the entire land mass of 12,600-foot San Francisco Peaks (near the Lowell Observatory) into space." (AP/5/2.) Apparently Dr. Slipher did not consider the possibility of the satellites having been constructed piecemeal, perhaps over a great period of time, much as Dr. von Braun has proposed regarding his plans for a "space station." Also, it might be pointed out that the force of gravity is much less than on Earth, as is the density of its atmosphere, thus making the establishment of an orbital satellite substantially easier than on this planet.

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